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## SUIT PLANNED TO HALT REMOVAL OF CEMETERY

Attorney Announces Owners of Lots in St. Paul Church Plots Object to Methods of Transfer.

### DISMEMBERMENT OF BODIES ALLEGED

Salesmanager for New Ground Says Boxes Are Used in Place of Decayed Coffins, but Denies Complaints.

Suit to restrain St. Paul's Evangelical Church from removing bodies from its old cemeteries at Kingshighway and Gravois road will be filed Monday in the Circuit court on behalf of lot owners by J. Callahan, attorney associated with Verne Lacy in offices in the Trade Building. The suit, Callahan said today, would be based on charges that the removal of bodies is improperly conducted by the church and that the bodies themselves have been desecrated and even dismembered in order to save money. In addition, the church is using for reinterment from 15 to 20 lot owners have complained to his firm, Callahan said, and action will be brought in names of some of them. But he refused to give their names.

"In many cases," he said, "my clients tell me that the coffins and rough boxes have decayed with the long interment. Small coffins have been furnished in their stead. If the body does not fit, they have told me it is made to fit, even by dismemberment."

Details of charges

Callahan's assertions were denied by E. F. Dahl, sales manager for cemetery, in a statement to the Post-Dispatch today.

The removals, he said, "are almost always in the presence of relatives of the dead. Representatives of the city Health Department are present, much of the time, in whenever they come, to supervise the task which church has undertaken. It is possible under such circumstances for such things to occur. It is true that often the coffins through boxes have crumbled away. Only a few bones remain. These are gathered up and put into small boxes which the cemetery has provided. But fewer than ever are used."

The ones we have chosen simply to needless expense to the relatives. We, on our part, are glad to furnish them whatever size box is demanded."

These cemeteries at Kingshighway and Gravois road are about 80 years old. When they were sold off for \$7 for a 6-acre lot, there was no thought of perpetual care. About 10,000 people had been buried in them. The church had no funds with which to care for their graves. People in the neighborhood dumped old cans and trash in the cemetery.

New Lots for Old Ones.

Last night at a church meeting it was decided to get a new cemetery providing the same number of graves they had had. The old ones could be provided for the site selected at Rock Hill, near Laclaide Station road, on the old White Haven farm, where cabin first stood.

We offered the old lot holders even exchange—a lot in the new cemetery providing the same number of graves they had had and with perpetual care provided. The only excuse to them for removal of the bodies. That might be done properly, the church undertook the work, let no contract.

Local citizens have accepted our offer for the removal of about 3,000 of the bodies, and we have already made between \$800 and \$900 removals. There were, of course, some folks who were suspicious. They thought this was a money-making scheme. Why, for every lot we exchange the church is set to set aside \$50 for perpetual care, and the new six-grave lots will sell for \$200 are given in exchange for those which only cost

A large part of the 2,500,000 francs paid out by the Treasury on Tuesday has been invested in industrial, mining and oil shares. The attraction of such investments, with the certainty of automatic profits as the frame devices have been removed by the shaky construction of the French cabinet, which now is being attacked systematically by the newspapers supporting the coalition of the Left.

Immigration Law Repeal Urged.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 12.—Repeal of the immigration law excluding Japanese from the United States was urged at the closing meeting of the federal committee of the Executive Committee yesterday. A plea for the denunciation of the chicanery also

was made by the newspaper supporting the coalition of the Left.

Buying of Foreign Stocks Causes Sharp Drop in France

Reaches 27.42 to Dollar—Investments Made Where Profits are Certain.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—A frenzied rush to buy foreign stocks listed on the Bourse caused a further sharp decline today in the franc, which during the morning reached the record figure of 27.42 to the dollar.

The Old Road—A Fifty-Year Fight—Pitt Valley, Ill., St. Louis County, is the scene. There have been fist fights and burned barns because of it, and husbands have left wives.

This Nebraska Sheriff Is a Real Detective—In a murder mystery he created 1000 clews and started in to run them down. Clew No. 855 revealed the killer.

Motive of Witness Questioned.

"The further fact appears," the brief stated, "that Mr. Polk appeared as one of the attorneys for the complainants when the temporary receiver and also the permanent receivers were appointed and

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## MENNONITES LEAVING MEXICO'S PROMISED LAND

Crop Failures Disillusioned Colonists, and Now They Are Going Back to Canada in Small Groups.

By the Associated Press.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 12.—Their dreams of "promised land" in the valley of the Rio Grande have failed and the Mennonites who sought to colonize in Mexico are yearning for their old home in Canada, disillusioned and destitute. Theirs is a story of a land of milk and honey that failed to materialize.

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Young Wife in Serious Condition From Disinfectant.

Mrs. Helen Wilhelm, 19 years old, wife of Edward Wilhelm, 7512 Alabama avenue, is in critical condition in a serious condition, the result of taking a spoonful of disinfectant by mistake.

She has been under the care of a physician recently, and yesterday selected the wrong bottle of two similar appearance.

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The testimony of Roland Durnill, 20 years old, who is now under two-year penitentiary sentence on a charge of assaulting the chief constable responsible for the acquittal yesterday of Walter Clark, 18 years old, 2128 Wash street, by a jury in Circuit Judge Landwehr's court.

Clark was jointly charged with Durnill and was with him at the time they were arrested. Durnill, however, testified that Clark was merely a passenger in the automobile and did not know it had been stolen. The automobile was taken from Roy Farrell, 2860 Eads avenue, on Oct. 14 last.

Durnill had previously pleaded guilty to the charge.

**Ethical Society Speakers.**

The Ethical Society will be addressed tomorrow morning by Henry J. Golding of New York on "The Meaning of Life." What Is and What Is Not." The international relations meeting will be held in the evening and Golding, Walston Chubb and John Griffin will address the society.

Y. W. C. A. Vesper Service Program

The Rev. R. R. Biggar of the Cote Brilliante Presbyterian Church will speak at vespers at 5 p. m. tomorrow. Dr. D. W. Hunter of Russia will speak at the social and story hour on conditions in Russia.

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## Funeral Procession for German Airman



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The picture shows the funeral procession in Berlin, which preceded the burial of Baron Manfred von Richthofen, famous ace, who lost his life during the war. His body recently was taken from France to Germany for reinterment. President von Hindenburg and Chancellor Luther may be seen in the picture.

### 2 YEARS FOR Eloping

### WITH BROTHER'S WIFE

Light Sentence by Judge Faris  
"So Jugo Slavian Can Be  
Sent Home Sooner."

### APPEALS TO SANTA

### TO GET DAD A JOB

Boy, 13, Graphically Describes  
Condition of His Family in  
Letter to Chief Gerk.

### HEEL PRINT ON PIE

### HOLES WOMAN AS THIEF

Male Accomplice Admits Robbing 13 Homes and Stores;  
Denies She Is Guilty.

John Briskey, 34 years old, a native of Jugoslavia, was sentenced to two years in the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth by Federal Judge Faris today on his plea of guilty of violating the Mann act by eloping from Granite City with the wife of his brother on June 18, last.

Briskey, an alien, was living at his brother's home and was employed in Granite City as a metal worker at the time of the elopement. After being informed of the facts in the case, Judge Faris said that under ordinary conditions he would sentence the prisoner to the limit, but in this case would hold the penalty to two years so Briskey could be sent back more quickly whence he came.

"If the Government authorities do their duty," Judge Faris declared, "this man will be deported at the earliest opportunity. We do not need him or his kind in this country."

In a signed statement which was read to the court by Assistant Chief Attorney Stettler, the brother's wife, Mrs. Antonia Briskey, 27 years old, declared that Briskey, threatening her with a revolver and butter knife, had forced her to submit to his advances in her own home and had finally compelled her to leave home with him.

Carrying a baby in her arms, she said, she accompanied him to St. Louis, where they registered at the McKinley Hotel, 809 High street, at John Buckley and family. Later they lived at hotels near Union Station, she related, and on June 26 went to Joliet, Ill., where Briskey was arrested on suspicion two days later. The woman did not then know the full time of their marriage, but she did not permit her to kill her if she reported him. After his arrest she returned to her husband, with whom she is now living.

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CHARGE OF STEALING AUTO

Five years in the penitentiary

KILLED BY A LOCOMOTIVE

East St. Louis Man Was Crossing  
Tracks for Short Cut to His  
Work.

Joseph Novak, 47 years old, the father of nine children, was instantly killed at 6:15 a. m. today when struck by a Pennsylvania Railroad train crossing the Illinois Central tracks at Wilmette, junction on the north limits of East St. Louis.

Novak, a packing house laborer, was on his way from his home at 1511 North Thirteenth street, East St. Louis, to his work, and attempted to make a short cut, crossing the railroad tracks. There was a dense fog. He is survived by his widow and the children, whose ages range from six months to 26 years.

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**LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE**

To Speed Up Street Widening.

The Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

The recent letter of Mr. W. L. Sturdevant tendering his resignation as a commissioner for assessment of damages and benefits for widening of Twelfth street and your recent editorial concerning the same subject are of the greatest interest to landowners, lawyers and real estate men, in view of the disclosures of the inefficient methods of procedure under the charter for the accomplishment of the purposes of the appointment of such commissioners. One great drawback is the fact that the Circuit Court Judges have a very small number of persons to choose from, as few will serve for the meager compensation fixed by the charter.

I have served on commissioners under both the old and new charters, and have appeared before other commissioners in connection with public improvements for streets, alleys, boulevards, etc., and in the Circuit and Supreme Courts on exceptions to reports of commissioners, and corroborate all Mr. Sturdevant says in his letter and you in your editorial.

I think the conditions complained of can be rectified to a great extent, if not altogether, by the creation of a "Commissioners' Court," to be composed of three commissioners, one of whom should be an experienced realty lawyer, another should be an experienced landowner. They should be appointed for a specific term of years, say for four years, with a salary sufficient to warrant their giving their whole time and attention to the duties of the office, say \$7500 per year. The Assistant City Counselor who has the particular case in charge should be required to attend their court at all its sessions when his case comes up. They should have a clerk who should be a competent stenographer to report and transcribe their proceedings, so that when all the evidence is in the commissioners may have it in writing before them, and not have to rely on their recollections of what the witnesses testified to, and they should hold court daily from 9 to 5. In this way, with a court of competent persons devoting all their time to the work and with a complete official record of their work, the assessment of damages and benefits would proceed rapidly. This record could be used on exceptions in the Circuit Court if any are taken.

This plan has greater advantage. The expense of such a court would be much less than that it costs the city now, especially for commissioners fees under the present charter. To accomplish this will require an amendment of the charter, and I would not anticipate the defeat of any such plan because it is in the right direction.

Instead of merely tinkering with the service and patching up the two systems, the Board of Aldermen should be engaged in constructing a first-class system of the kind we suggest, which will work equitably, efficiently and profitably under all conditions and to all concerned.

One of the topics of Mayor Miller's address to the Woman's Republican Club was tax evasion. His record indicates that he is an expert on that subject.

**INDIANA'S FINICKING DRY LAW.**

E. S. Shumaker, State Anti-Saloon League superintendent, has called attention to the section of the Indiana dry law which makes it "unlawful for any person to advertise or display any apparatus for the transportation of intoxicating liquor, or any article or vessel for containing such liquors, in any shop window." He warns jewelers and shopkeepers that they must not display flasks and cocktail shakers to attract the Christmas trade.

While the dry Indiana legislators were about it, endeavoring to stretch the eighteenth amendment to finicking extremes, why did they not include the display of all bottles, glasses, corks, bottle cappers, and even teacups, which have frequently been used to convey liquor to mouths? A reader suggests that the makers of this law overlooked the shameless display by Indiana farmers of corn in the crib, corn being necessary to the manufacture of moonshine. And why overlook the vineyards and orchards, in which grapes, apples and other fruits mature and may be used to make wine and other anti-Volstead drinks? And then, water. A modicum of Adam's first thirst-quencher is needed in all alcoholic liquors, and is essential to most toppers as a "chaser." And sugar—what an offender, from the extreme prohibitionists' point of view, for it has an incorrigible propensity for changing into alcohol with the least encouragement. Let us banish all inventions and all of nature's gifts that conflict with the bone-dry ideal.

Commissioners under the present charter meet, if a question of law arises, the Assistant City Counselor who has charge of the case may not be in his office at the time, so that the counsel cannot wait him, and there is a delay until the commissioners meet again. And, besides, he is specially interested in the city's behalf, as against property owners, to cut down damages and benefits as to the city itself as much as possible.

None of the parties under the present practice who appear before the commissioners are put under oath. They can say anything they please. The commissioners have no power to call in anyone as a witness. There is no record of the evidence on which the findings of the commissioners are based.

I am willing to co-operate with Mr. Sturdevant and others who realize the inefficiency of the present charter methods to frame a proper amendment. The City Counselor and his predecessors could be of much help. H. A. LOEYV.

**Another Front Entrance Criticism.**  
To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I BELIEVE the front-entrance rule on the street cars is a hardship on elderly people, cripples and women with young children, as it is more difficult to walk against the car than with it, and there are many narrow escapes from being thrown to the floor—the car is crowded, in which case there are narrow escapes from being dislodged. I feel sorry for people who have to ride short distances. The only apparent advantage in the front-entrance plan is the avoidance of collision to the occasional stranger or casual car-rider. The regular patrons are well posted as to entrance and exit not only on their every-day line, but as a general thing on other lines as well.

**REGULAR PATRON.**

For Safety of Pedestrians,  
To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

FOR the safety of pedestrians and automobiles it would be too much trouble to have a red hand placed about street lamps at intersections? It isn't always easy to note the intersection in order to slack up from a distance. School children as well as adults should be taught to first look to the left before crossing the street at the corners, and then to the right after making a few steps. It is comparatively easy to form this safety habit after a few exercises. These admonitions should be frequently repeated. Let us all try to play safe.

H. GROSBY, M. D.

**BUS AND STREET CAR.**

We do not know whether compelling the People's Motorbus Co. to put pneumatic tires on their buses will ruin the company or not. We do not know how much profit the company makes. Nor do the city authorities seem to know, since there is a great difference between the statement of Alderman Wimer, who wants pneumatic tires put on the busses, and R. W. Meade, president of the company, who says that it is not making money.

We do know that the pneumatic tire or any other device that would eliminate or modify the earthquake tremors that radiate from the busses and shake the firmest buildings, and that would prevent the ruin of the streets by the busses and make pleasant riding on half-paved streets, is extremely desirable.

We do know that pneumatic tires are used in other cities, and that a little investigation might show how costly they are, and whether they can be used profitably.

Alderman Wimer makes a strong case in his comparison between the burden of taxation and cost of maintaining streets borne by the United Railways and the bagatelle paid by the People's Motorbus Co. to the city, with complete lack of contribution to the maintenance of streets. If the busses cannot under these conditions supply the public with the very best service, with the best possible equipped vehicles, then the busses are failures.

Mr. Meade's attitude is hardly becoming in the head of a company which has been treated with distinguished consideration by the city authorities.

The authorities have issued permits to the bus company by wholesale, and have laid no burdens on it.

But the first suggestion of regulation in the interest of the public and the city brings from Mr. Meade the threat to leave the city. In effect, he says, if we cannot run busses we please, in the way we please, we'll quit. That would not leave the city without recourse. It might still find a bus company that would operate under reasonable regulation.

The whole controversy emphasizes the wisdom of the policy urged by the Post-Dispatch. The street railway and the bus services should be consolidated and co-ordinated and put on the same basis of regulation. The system of service at cost should be adopted, so that while reasonable returns for the investment would be assured the owners, the city would control the service, and fares would be adjusted on the basis of cost. Then we could have the kind of service the public is entitled to, and the people would pay for what they get. We feel sure that the people would get a better service and would pay less than they pay now for both street car and bus fares.

That has been the experience of Cleveland, Pittsburgh and other cities that have tried this system.

Under this system, neither the stability nor the service of either the street car or bus system would be threatened.

The public could use either bus or street car, as convenience or comfort dictated, and the expenses of both would be defrayed from the same treasury.

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**GO ON WORKING.**

Secretary of Labor Davis, in his recent report to Congress, gave the labor unions much needed advice when he warned them of the evil consequences of permitting jurisdictional disputes to hamper and retard industrial projects, particularly in the building industry, which had during the past year suffered severe loss from such wrangles. He pointed out that, while contractors, owners, supply houses and the public lose on such occasions, the workers themselves, who can ill afford it, are the worst sufferers. He rightly characterized such disputes as a sort of civil war, and pointed out that the worker always gets blamed for the costly stoppages that result.

Putting the case in a nutshell, he said: "Invention and change in building methods are going to continue. So long as progress goes on, disputes are bound to occur. The thing is to get them settled." Of course, arbitration is the proper way to settle such disputes. But labor leaders would do well to adopt the rule that, in every jurisdictional dispute, in addition to immediate resort to arbitration, work should continue pending a settlement. This would be wise action in labor disputes generally. For, whichever side won, the workers themselves would, by earning something while the arbitrators were in session, be in much better shape off. And the effect on the public would be highly beneficial.

A perfect bridge hand, it is said, is dealt only once in 155,888,000,000 times, which is, to be conservative, about half as many times as it takes to produce a perfect bridge player.

**REASONS FOR CITY EXPANSION.**

Three chief arguments have been offered by St. Louis County opponents of metropolitan expansion, on which the Board of Freeholders is working. The city wants to rob the county of its independent government, they say; the city insisted on withdrawing from the county in 1876 and ought to eat humble pie and return now before talking about the extension of metropolitan benefits; the city only wants to enlarge its population. So run these arguments.

In 1876 St. Louis was a lively town subjected to the dictation of a County Court, an administrative board of three men who favored the rural sections at the city's expense. The city did not even have the power of assessing and collecting its own revenue. The situation was intolerable and the separation was decided on. City limits fixed then, and which have not been altered since, were far beyond the developed boundary of that time. In the past half century, however, St. Louis has spread out, till its practical bounds are far beyond the arbitrary political line. The county has been transformed from a region of farms to a region of homes. Infant suburbs there have become thickly settled residential extensions of the city. Unincorporated areas on every side have been filled with dwellings. The farming population has become a minority. The county form of government has become inadequate to cope with the problems of this teeming community beyond the city. Many county residents desire outright annexation or a form of metropolitan district government which will give them the services and protection which the present machinery cannot or will not provide. It means nothing to the city to get a mere increase in numbers on the census books and the old talk of million population has been forgotten by everybody but county politicians. The city is desirous of thorough metropolitan planning to insure the rational development of the community. Modern conditions inevitably demand the abolition of the inefficient, illogical county government.

There is the answer to the arguments against metropolitan expansion. The Board of Freeholders, which has wasted half its year of life, still has the opportunity to accomplish a lasting plan for the new St. Louis.

He was a prophet who named that street Grand Avenue.

**SHAW'S UNMYSTICAL JOAN.**

George Bernard Shaw's conception of Joan of Arc, so faithfully and brilliantly portrayed by Julia Arthur, seems to us the most creditable of all. The millions of words written about the Maid, whether by Mark Twain or Voltaire, Schiller or Anatole France, contain an unconscionable amount of balderdash, romance or abuse, but little sense. Shaw's Joan may not be the real one, but she is infinitely more convincing than Mark Twain's "beautiful and most ladylike Victorian," or Voltaire's obscene La Pucelle.

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The father called his flute-playing son a nuisance, but what we should like to know is who called this nuisance a flute-player.

The bankers seem to think that bank robbery is a capital crime.

**LOOK WHO'S BEHIND HIM!**  
(From the Dallas Morning News.)**THE NEW MISSOURI ROAD BOSS.****JUST A MINUTE** Written for the Post-Dispatch  
By CLARK MCADAMS  
Copyright, 1925.**BALLADE OF LAW OBSERVANCE.**

I fear no raid; my cellar's bare;  
I have no private stock of wine;  
Then you'd be glad to question where  
My cellar's bare, I said before—

My cellar's bare, I said before—  
Though Orrick reads no raids ensue,  
Or gin and wine I have no store,  
But all my friends make good home brew.

I'm careful where I buy cigars,  
Tobacco, too, and cigarettes;  
I've never been behind the bars  
Because I bought where men make bets;

Tom Kearney's place I do not know,

With gamblers I've no rendezvous.

On thoroughbreds I risk no dough,

But all my friends make good home brew.

This lotto ruling leaves me cold,

I've never played a game of chance;

When there's a raid by captains bold,

I'm sleeping soundly at my mane;

What pots and pans I need I buy,

Nor Lady Luck do I pursue,

The wheel of chance I do not try,

But all my friends make good home brew.

I do not even own a Ford,

I ride the car or else the bus;

"Don't park here" leaves me feeling bored,

With traffic cops I never fuss;

I've never yet been out all night,

I'm always in by half-past two,

And Orrick's laws are my delight,

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# A % Saturday Book Page of the Post-Dispatch

**Christopher Morley Experiments in Fantasy - Fiction; W. E. Woodward Advances Along the Writing Road; J. S. Hellman Reconstructs "The True Stevenson"**

**REVIEWS BY ROBERTUS LOVE.**

FOR since "Parnassus on Wheels" rolled along my way more than eight years ago, I have been a Christopher Morley addict. The late New York Evening Post, which died for most of us when the Curtis crew transformed it into a get-up edition of the Philadelphia Public Ledger, was graced by the Morley column captioned "The Bow Green." From time to time Mr. Morley called things from this and from other newspaper columns that he had conducted, and made books of the New and then he wrote a book "as good as a Parnassus"—and "Where the Blue Begins" has dozen volumes of easy-reading verse, flowed easily typewriter. Morley followed Morley until there were no less than 21 Morleys between book and—Christopher himself only about 35!

Now comes still another, "Thunder on the Land" (Doubleday, Page & Co.), undoubtedly written well of Mr. Morley's heartfelt affection for a baby. This particular baby was announced something more than the ordinary eclat. The boy press agent lost his head somewhere in the case before the left-handed thunder broke. Most people were looking for a mighty loud clasp of thunder, having been promised a big noise. "Hear her we?" Alas! but low, unrumbling, only bolt that causes no excitement whatsoever. In fact, one cannot tell whether this little thunder thus to right or to left?

Mr. Morley, in his most successful fictions, is a realist, but he writes of life as life, or may be. In this new book, he is a fantasist. "Thunder on the Land" is really a fantasy, and in places it is a fanciful fantasy. The people in it are not quite people. They are real in some spots and unreal in still more and larger spots. But inasmuch as the author set out to do a fantasy, the unreality of his plot is not to be counted against him.

The appearance is that Morley has not made his heels sufficiently tangible to be let us in.

He comes to us at least 45 or 50 pure debt from any Morley fiction written since his odd-days "Kathleen," which was inconsequential.

"Thunder on the Left" begins with a children's party in the Richmond family's house. The occasio-

nal little Martin's tenth anniversary. The chil-

dren play at being grownups, and they wonder how

they're to be grown up. Martin expresses a wish,

revealed in the story; but it seems that he wished

to get grown up. The children are real enough. In the next chapter begins the fantasy.

With the sudden transition of a cinematic flashback

in the past, and quite without "titles" to explain it's really not so, the tale flashes forth 21 years

to the future. The children of the party are grown

ups of their married and provided with chil-

dren of their own. The old Richmond home, va-

eteran, is taken for a summer by the Gran-

ville, Mrs. Granville being one of the children of

birthday party. Enter Martin.

Mr. Morley has tried bravely to make Martin, at

this imagined period, convincing. But the Martin

this imagined period convinces not. He acts like

imbeciles rather than like a Peter Pan. One feels

at all this bravery of effort is wasted. After Mar-

tin's antics mix up the grownups and almost break

the Granville family, suddenly again in the last

chapter the story flashes back to Martin's birthday

party. And so all this time we have been in the

land of Might-Be. Now again in the familiar coun-

try of Ia, we see the children's party break up.

Robert Louis Stevenson has waited only three

decades for his reconstruction as a truly likable

human being. The recent Stewart biography helped

considerably toward this end, and now George S.

Hellman's "The True Stevenson" (Little, Brown & Co.) appears to have completed the job. This is

a book that paints R. L. S. as he seems to have

been and, according to Mr. Hellman, as he hoped

to be painted. Hellman, who has delved into a rich

documentary mine, gives us a man who lived a full life.

Stevenson was no angel; he was, after his

marriage, no philanderer; but in his youth he had

experiences which made him what one might term

an old-round.

Mr. Hellman picks a pretty quarrel with the venerable Sir Ernest Colvin, friend and literary execu-

tive of Stevenson. He picks another quarrel with the late Mrs. Stevenson, who co-operated with Colvin in placing R. L. S. before the world as a "re-

spectable" sort of person. The truth appears to have been that the beloved writer was hardly re-

spectable in the conventional sense, particularly be-

fore his marriage, and that his widow kept him from

writing, or from publishing, works which would

have served to prove that he knew a great deal more

about women than any of his extant writings reveal.

It is shown that he wrote a novel dealing with the career of a street-walker, which his wife fussed at with such persistence that finally R. L. S. tossed the

manuscript into the fire in disgust.

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EDUCATIONAL PORK BARREL.

In the Toledo Blade.

CAMPAIGN is on among the aggressive

educationalists to obtain an annual

600,000 Federal aid appropriation

schools. The scheme is this: The Gov-

ernment will send money to states that will

give it to narrow partisans.

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## ITALIAN DEPUTIES PASS COMPULSORY ARBITRATION BILL

Discussing Measure Forbidding Strikes, Mussolini Refers to Italy as in Permanent State of War.

### NEXT FIVE YEARS DECISIVE FOR NATION

Premier, Explaining Reason for Measure, Says Italy Must Realize Its Maximum Efficiency.

By the Associated Press.

ROME, Dec. 12.—Benito Mussolini, the Fascist Premier, who considers Italy "in a permanent state of war," has driven home another victory.

The Chamber of Deputies last night adopted a law compelling arbitration in all disputes between capital and labor.

The reference to a state of war was made when he said he considered the bill a war measure.

"I consider the next five or 10 years decisive for Italy," he said. "Because the international struggle is being unchained and will be unchained with ever increasing intensity. We who have entered the international scene late cannot afford to dissipate our energy. Even as controversies are not permitted at the front in wartime, so now we must realize the maximum national efficiency."

Mussolini had the bill amended to apply to all classes of labor and all categories of employers, including farm hands and farmers. Red syndicalism, he said, under the guise of fighting for higher wages, really was aiming at the right of holding property.

He explained the opinion that courts for labor disputes would not be used much, as the prohibition of strikes and lockouts would compel settlement out of court.

### FAMILY FOUND IN DESTITUTE CIRCUMSTANCES BY POLICE

Mrs. Luella Lewis, Deserter's Husband, Unable to Support Self and Three Children.

Fourteen dollars a week, earned by Mrs. Luella Lewis, is far from enough to support her and her three children, who police of the Fifth District found in destitute circumstances at 1210A Wright street yesterday.

The children are Luella, 5 years old; Connor, 13, and Jewett, 14. They were in need of food, fuel and clothing, according to police report.

Mrs. Lewis is employed by the Lincoln Knitting Mills at Twenty-second and O'Farrell streets. She has been separated from her husband, Connor, some months, and has asked for a warrant charging him with desertion and nonsupport, alleging that he is employed at Wood River, Ill., at good wages.

Rent for their room at \$15 a month is two months in arrears.

### DEATH TOLL OF ALABAMA

### MINE EXPLOSION REACHES 53

Bodies of Two Miners Still to Be Recovered; Red Cross Starts Relief Work for Families.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 12.—Burial of the dead was the task before the little mining town of Overton today, which was plunged into grief Thursday when 53 men met death as the result of a gas explosion in No. 2 mine of the Alabama Fuel and Iron Co. The death list embraced nine white and 44 Negro workers.

Of the 53 men who were killed, two more are still to be recovered.

Rehabilitation work for the families of the dead miners has started under direction of the Birmingham Chapter of the American Red Cross.

### SEVEN MEN DUG FROM DEBRIS

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Seven workmen, bruised and battered, owe their lives to the desperate efforts of rescuers to dig them out of the debris of a building that collapsed yesterday only half a dozen from Fifth avenue. One man was instantly killed.

Eight workmen, engaged in reconstruction of an old dwelling on Twenty-seventh street between office buildings were trapped when two walls collapsed, crushing them through three floors. James Blundo and Salvatore Blundo were caught with the third man who was killed, and others were rescued in a short time, but Blundo and Blanca, conscious and badly hurt, were fed liquid food through a rubber tube by a physician who crept near them while rescuers struggled with heavy beams. A priest worked his way through the wreckage to administer last rites.

**Christmas Seals at Theaters.** Tonight will be movie night in the schedule of events of the Tuberculosis Society's seal campaign. Christmas seals and buttons will be sold in the lobbies by volunteers. These symbols of the anti-tuberculosis crusade are also being sold in stores. More than 125 movies are co-operating in this manner in the seal sale.

## To Show America Relics Claimed as Shakespeare's

Hunter Charles Rogers Tells of Secretly Digging Up Chest of Manuscript on English Estate.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch and the New York World.

(Continued, page 2.)

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Hunter Charles Rogers, who claims to have discovered a mass of Shakespearean manuscript and household relics, told the New York World and Post-Dispatch correspondent that he is going to America early in the new year, probably in March, and will take with him the manuscripts not already there and other trophies which he is willing to let an accredited museum put on exhibit and experts examine.

Rogers firmly refused to disclose the name of the man in the United States with whom he claims he left the manuscripts of Shakespeare's plays last August, but declared that they are in safekeeping with someone living in the neighborhood of Van Buren Point, Buffalo.

**British Experts at Work.**

Rogers, who is a gardener by profession, says he has lived in America a total of 20 years, at different times, and worked as a gardener at the St. Louis and Buffalo fairs. The only corroborative evidence of Rogers' claims forthcoming today was from Capt. William Jaggar of Stratford on Avon, who said he recently bought a collection of alleged Shakespearean relics from Rogers and that experts who are now examining it will be able to give him an opinion.

"The whole story sounds like a fairy tale," Jaggar said. "But I would not have spent so much on any collection unless I had believed they were genuine. I have a Shakespeare family Bible containing six signatures of the bard himself, and two of his granddaughter, Lady Barnard. These are being investigated."

"I have also a full black letter Bible, date 1549, which is stated to have been found in Clifton House in Stratford in 1741. The people there then were the original owners of the New place, where Shakespeare died."

**Show Two Ancient Cloaks.**

Rogers showed the New York World and Post-Dispatch correspondent a number of his alleged Shakespearean finds. He exhibited two ancient-looking brocade cloaks which he claims were worn by Shakespeare and Bibles and pamphlets in ancient print with faded ink impressions and signatures. He frankly admitted that he is unable to guarantee the authenticity of the relics, since he knows nothing of history, adding that the claim is based only on the extraordinary chain of events which resulted in their coming into his possession.

Rogers said he plans to take about 1000 exhibits to America with him to add to the manuscripts already there.

**Cleve in Family Letter.**

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Grange arrived last night with the Chicago team from Pittsburgh and immediately went to a hotel, where he asked the house physician to examine his arm. After the examination, the physician announced that a blood clot had formed and that, unless the injured member was given care, there was danger of it traveling through the system. If the blood clot should travel near the heart, he said, it was impossible to say what complications might develop.

**No Sleep in Two Days.**

During the examination, Grange sat on a bed in the hotel rooms, answering the doctor's questions in a listless manner and constantly rubbing the injured arm. He said he had first felt the injury in St. Louis but thought it only a bruise. It bothered him considerably at Boston, he said, and at Pittsburgh he wanted to stay out of the game, but wen in in order not to disappoint the crowd.

The football star looked worn and haggard and when the doctor told him the arm must be put in splints, he replied:

"All right, if it in splints, do anything so I can get some sleep. I haven't had a bit of sleep for two nights because of the pain in my arm."

The physician found the upper part of Grange's injured arm swollen twice the size of his other arm. The arm was broken out with red spots along its entire length and at the back of his shoulder was a lump described twice the size of an ordinary hen's egg.

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Special to the Post-Dispatch.  
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Peterson received the invitation late yesterday and has not decided whether or not he will be able to accept. The pressure of business may make it impossible for him to leave the city at that time, he said.

In the recent match in which Horerman won the championship from Schaefer, Jake was disturbed by a decision of Referee Charles Lewis and he said after the match that he would not accept Peterson as the referee in all his subsequent matches for the title. Horerman has previously expressed a desire to have the fancy shot expert in charge of his matches.

Peterson referred almost every time match played for a period of six years, but he found it necessary to give more time to his business and has declined all invitations to officiate in the last two years.

The Peterson individual bowling classic will get under way this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock when 16 ten pin knights take the alleys. Other bowlers start at 7:30 p.m., while Sunday will be taken up by squads at 2, 4, 7 and 9 p.m.

A total of 112 men are entered, making it one of the largest and most popular individual tournaments in the city. With the exception of the locals partaking, some record scores are anticipated, as there is a galaxy of stars on each squad.

By the Associated Press.

NICE, France, Dec. 12.—Suzanne Lenglen against Helen Wills the tennis treat which will be offered to fans on the French Riviera next January if the American champion carries over her position in the tournament.

Mme. Lenglen sent in her entry for the Hotel Metropole tournament at Cannes yesterday.

By the Associated Press.

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Before entering any tournaments in Europe she will spend about two weeks on the courts, accustoming herself to the different court conditions and tennis balls.

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Moody did better in the next three rounds, but Flowers was never in danger and every effort of the Welshman to get in close was a failure.

In the seventh round Flowers opened a cut over Moody's right eye and from then on had him at his mercy. Flowers earned cheers from the crowd for keeping away from Moody's head on account of the cut.

## PRICES MIXED IN WEEK-END STOCK TRADE

Profit-Taking in Part of  
List as New Highs Are  
Recorded Elsewhere —  
Exchange Market Irregu-  
lar.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Total sales on the New York Stock Exchange today were 832,700 shares, compared with 1,787,200 yesterday, 971,000 a week ago and 950,300 a year ago. Total sales from Jan. 1 to date were 429,861,900, compared with 256,014,600 a year ago and 225,467,400 two years ago.

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## WORK CURB

## LOCAL STOCK PRICES MIXED ON EXCHANGE

Following is a list of sales, highest, lowest prices of securities traded in on the Exchange today, sales of stocks being made, sales of bonds are in actions thereof, while bond sales are in

## ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

## ST. LOUIS STOCKS

ST. LOUIS STOCK EXCHANGE, Dec. 12.—Total sales of stocks on the Exchange today amounted to 1,086 shares, compared with 1,666 yesterday.

Following is a complete list of securities traded in on the Exchange during the single session today, dividend rates, sales, highest, lowest, closing prices and net changes being given. \*Increase. —Decrease. —Unchanged.

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## Oil SHARES REFLECT

## CRUDE PRICE UPTURN

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The outstanding incident in the week's trading on the market was the weakness in radio stocks, throughout the past month which has been in progress, for the past two weeks, the market having failed to share in the improvement, establishing a new record low. The break-through was made in the market, in Dublin, and Radio and Friedemann were under pressure.

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**TO FIND A CAPABLE OFFICE HELPER is an urgent matter sometimes. Get him through these columns.****DEATHS**

**SPARKS**—Entered into rest on Saturday, Dec. 19, 1925, Charles Sparks, husband of the late Sallie Lee Rogers, Susan S. Hember, Robert C. Rogers, and James W. Sparks, in his sixty-fifth year. Son, George, from the Alexander family, died Sunday, Dec. 19, 1925, at 2:30 p.m. Interment at Calvary Cemetery.

**STRANKE**—Entered into rest on Thursday, Dec. 10, 1925, at 1:15 p.m., Elizabeth Stranke, wife of the late Gustav Stepanek, dear mother of Julius Stepanek, Mrs. Lillian Straub and several other sons and daughters-in-law, granddaughters, sister, a brother and a son-in-law.

**Funeral** from home, 2019 North Market Street, at 1:15 p.m. on Saturday.

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**STRECKER**—Entered into rest on Thursday, Dec. 10, 1925, at 1:15 p.m., Elizabeth Strecker, dear mother of the late Joseph and Mary Strecker, dear brother of Mrs. Frances Schieffer, our dear uncle and brother.

**Funeral** Sunday, Dec. 13, 1925, at 3 p.m. from Moyell parlor, Mississippi and Alton avenues, to New St. Marcus Cemetery.

**CEMETERY LOTS**

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**PERSONAL**

**ADDRESSSES** Wid.—The present address of Emery Evans and James C. Evans in order to prevent loss of money or time, send several thousand dollars to St. Louis charities.

**PERSONAL**—Wid.—Our son, James C. Evans, has moved to St. Louis.

**PERSONAL**—Mamie, Esther, May, Fowler write to your brother, Bob Hickory. (7)

**PERSONAL**—Letter Carter, wanted at 1620 Fine st., after hunt.

**COMING EVENTS**

**Automobile Trips and Tours**  
**BUS DAILY**, CHICAGO, \$7.00  
Kansas City, \$7; Denver, \$21.50; Los Angeles, \$40; Jacksonville, \$23; Miami, \$35; other cities, \$25. **MIDWEST TRANSIT CO.**, Marquette Hotel, Garfield 1800. (1)

**SEALED PROPOSALS**

HDB's will be received by the Board of Public Service of the City of St. Louis, room 208, 1115 Locust, from December 22, 1925, for the construction of a new building on the grounds of the Isolation Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri. Plans, specifications, contracts and other information may be obtained at the office of the president, room 304 City Hall. (6b)

**LOST and FOUND**

**Lost**—AIREDALE DOG—Lost straight tail, tan harness, collar, bell, \$500. Plymouth, all license, Cabany 6338.

**BANK BOOK**—Lost, 6 checks, payment book, \$100. Post Office, 1115 Locust, Garment Co., 1200 Washington. (1)

**HEAGLE**—Lost or stolen; small black and tan dog, \$10. (7)

**BILL FOLD**—Lost, containing money and receipts. Reward, William J. Dolmar, 1102 Locust. (7)

**BRACELET**—Lost, on Lindell bus or Orpheum Theater. Call Forrest 48462 or 4848.

**BRINDLE BULL**—Lost named Jack, last seen at Lindell 33891.

**HULLING**—Lost \$5 for return to owner, permanent. For quick "cash," write Mr. O'Gorman, Dept. P, St. Louis, Mo. (7)

**SCIENTIFIC beauty culture taught by authorized Martindale instructors** 4479 Washington bl., Delmar 600. (7)

**POSTOFFICE CLERKS**, city mail carriers, needed frequently, St. Louis, temporarily. Permanent. For quick "cash," write Mr. O'Gorman, Dept. P, St. Louis, Mo. (7)

**LEARN TELEGRAPHY**—Visit our school, 1115 Locust, St. Louis, Mo. Tu-Fri, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Sat., 9 a.m. to 12 noon. \$140 to start after graduation; day or evenings, hours 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (7)

**WIRELESS**—Learn to type, \$100. (7)

**DOES**—Lost, Liverwells black, black ears, black spot on side. Reward, \$100. (7)

**DRESS**—Lost, in Famous-Barr box, reward, Cabany 50792. (7)

**LEATHER**—Lost—SOFTS—Lost, reward, Victor 30595. (7)

**FOX TERRIER**—Lost, female, wearing red collar, \$100. (7)

**GOAT**—Lost, male, \$100. (7)

**PURPLE NECK PIECE**—Lost, on Russell, belle Pharmacy, 2346 Russell. (7)

**Glasses**—Lost, gray tortoise shell; Erika 75904. (7)

**GLOVES**—Lost, 1 pair of lady's gray kid, size 7 1/2. Reward, \$100. (7)

**MONEY**—Lost, \$40; in or between Anna, Hotel and 6338 Cote Brilliante, 1115 Locust. (7)

**MONEY**—Lost, and checks, in neighbor hood Jefferson, Gravois, Virginia and Hilltop. Reward, \$100. (7)

**NUCKLACE**—Lost; pearl; reward, Call 1515. (7)

**PEARL PIN**—Lost, heart shape, diamond center. Tuesday evening, on way to or at work, 11th and Locust. No questions asked. Reward, \$100. (7)

**POCKETBOOK**—Lost; by need, persons containing \$55, reward, Houston, Lindell 33891. (7)

**POCKETBOOK**—Lost, contains \$100, seal purpose. Friday, containing currency and business cards. Please communicate with Zorwitz, 3834 Arsenal Grand. (7)

**PIRUE**—Lost, brown lizard skin purse, reward, Box E 391. (7)

**PIRUE**—Lost, two rings, in Grand-Leader; reward, Lindell 1800. (7)

**SHEARS**—Lost, 2 pairs left on 4th st. car, Cal Riviera 42858. (7)

**WRIST WATCH**—Lost; man's, near Northland, St. Louis, Mo. Reward, \$100. (7)

**DETECTIVES**—Tuesday evening, Saturday evenings. (7)

**EX-OFFICER WM. E. LA CHASSE** does shadowing, investigating, locate missing persons. \$15. Tenth Guardsman Blg., Field 5762.

**EMPLOYMENT WANTED**

**MEN, BOYS**

**CHAUFFEUR**—Slt; color; truck driver, make, Jefferson 27848.

**COOK**—Slt; color; housewife, and fire bolts, anything else. Lindell 33891.

**DRIVER**—Delivery, 6 years experience; references; have license. (7)

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Mephistopheles in Dinner Jacket.  
BIRMINGHAM, England, Dec. 12.—Mephistopheles is to wear a dinner jacket in a modernized "Faust."

## CHURCH NOTICES.



**"A Millionaire Preacher Who Died Penniless"**  
SUNDAY NIGHT, 7:45

By Henry Alford Porter

Memorial Service for Dr. Russell H. Conwell. The story of his dramatic life will thrill the crowds—and YOU and your friends.

Then That Morning Sermon:  
**"A VISION OF GOD"**

SOMETHING  
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1000 YOUNG PEOPLE WANTED BETWEEN 14 AND 30 SUNDAY AT 7:45 P.M. TO JOIN THE ARMY OF YOUNG PEOPLE GATHERING THERE EVERY SUNDAY MORNING DURING OVER YOUR DIFFICULTIES AND SAY, "I'LL BE THERE."

N. R.—JUST 13 DAYS before the beginning of the celebration of our 25th Anniversary. They will be Days of Despair.

## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The Churches named below are all Branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

Subject of the lesson-sermon each evening is the "Principle of Man."

GOLDEN TEXT: Psalms 91:2.

FIRST CHURCH, Kingsbridge and Westminster Avenue, 11 a. m. to 5 p. m. Ending Dec. 4244 McPherson open daily from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m., except Wednesday, from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. Sunday, 10 a. m. to 5 p. m.

SECOND CHURCH, 4234 Washington Boulevard, 10 a. m. and 8 p. m. Days off, Sunday, from 10 a. m. daily from 2 to 4 p. m. including Sunday.

THIRD CHURCH, 3234 Russell Boulevard, 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m.

FOURTH CHURCH, 820 Grand Avenue, 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m. meeting room, 5431 Page boulevard, open daily from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m., except Saturday, from 10 a. m. to 7:45 p. m. Sunday, 3 to 5 p. m.

Sunday evening services broadcast at 8 p. m. Station (KQKA), 260 meters.

FIFTH CHURCH, 3629 S. Grand Avenue, 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m. meeting room, same location, open daily, 2 to 5 p. m.; Sundays and all half days, 10:45 a. m. to 5 p. m.

SIXTH CHURCH, 3232 Natural Bridge Avenue, Sunday, 10:45 a. m.

SEVENTH CHURCH, 3232 Kramz street and Minnesota Avenue, 10:45 a. m.

WEDNESDAY EVENING—TESTIMONY MEETING at all the churches at 8 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY ROOMS, 1822 Exchange Building, 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. daily except Wednesday, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Sunday and holidays, 9:30 to 5:30 p. m. 2827 Olive Street, open from 10 a. m. to 10 p. m., except Wednesday, 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. Sunday and holidays, 2:30 to 9:30 p. m. All are welcome.

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## MUSIC

BY RICHARD L. STOKES.

THE cyclone of Josef Hofmann's virtuosity almost blasted from its seats an audience which thronged the Odeon at yesterday afternoon's symphony concert, to be repeated tonight. A storm king of the pianoforte, the mighty Pole unleashed the keyboard's winds and thunders and unbridled its lightnings until the diminutive figure took on the legendary semblance of Aeolus, embroiling or soothng sky and sea from his gusty Cavern of Tempests.

For as Aeolus was lord too of the zephyr, so Hofmann wished to exhibit his power and for all the very limits of human prowess in the dynamics of the pianoforte. Thus his performance was not in the least an art event, but a pentagonal Leviathan.

The audience recalled him several times to the platform, as if desirous of hearing him play a bit of music for a change, but he declined an extra and directed an attention to the piano.

The orchestra program consisted of Beethoven's Symphony No. 7, in A Minor, the Prelude and Love-Death from Wagner's "Tristan und Isolde" and a novelty in the form of a symphonic poem, "Sarastro," by Edward P. Schenck of San Francisco. The score was a bit of an interesting and worth-essay, of considerable pictorial imagination and a skilled command of instrumental vocabulary, but little distinguished or vigorous as to its themes.

Beethoven's Allegretto.

So that when Hofmann labored to heap mountain on mountain, to fling Pelion atop Olympus, it turned out that he was merely juggling pebbles. Of the slow movement something was expected, for Rubinstein did it a few years ago, but here, despite a poised sequence of expression, we were able to hear nothing profounder than a series of popular ballads. It was as if Julia Arthur had summoned the splendor of her voice and all the tapers of her intelligence for a solemn recitation of "Casablanca." Refuses an Extra.

While adherent to lovers of music, the concert—it is easy to see, has its appeal for a virtuoso proud of his strength and velocity.

Hisses for VALENTINO FILM

Italians Urged on Billboard to Reopen U. S. Naturalization.

By RAYMOND T. CONNELL, The Chicago Daily News Correspondent, 1925.

ROME, Dec. 12.—The boycott campaign against Rudolf Valentino commenced in earnest this noon, when a sign was pasted on the walls in the center of Rome, commanding patriotic Italians not to go to the first performance of his new super film in Rome's most prominent cinema this afternoon, or, if they go, kiss.

The culminates the newspaper campaign of the last fortnight, aiming to organize a warm reception to "The Italian who denied his fatherland by applying for American citizenship" on the occasion of his arrival here to visit his aged mother in Calabria.

Northwestern Student Missing.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Fear that John S. Meek, 13-year-old Northwestern University student who disappeared Dec. 1, has met with foul play was expressed by Evanston police. Efforts to find the youth have been unavailing.

Burglars Hold Up Children.

In the absence of Mrs. Ellen Hart, 3208 Cook avenue, from her home at 6 p. m., three burglars entered and held up her granddaughters, Lavinia and Mamie Roth, 11 and 12 years old, respectively. While one stood guard, the others ransacked the house. A check-up by Mrs. Hart showed nothing missing.

A man with a rusty weapon obtained \$70 by holding up Alex Shore in his drug store at Hodiamont and Bartner avenues at 11 p. m. and held up Philip Lovit in his grocery at 324 South Twenty-third street and escaped with \$15 at 5:20 p. m.

A watch valued at \$35 was taken by two Negroes from Ernest Nelson, 2213 Mullanphy street, at Jefferson avenue and Stoddard street at 8:40 p. m.

Series of Burglaries.

Burglaries reported yesterday and last night were: Harry Meyer's store, 3834 Easton avenue, four radio sets valued at \$275; stolen residence of Mrs. Mamie Brockman, 4511 Parkeview place, radio set, typewriter, and rings; residence of Mrs. Josephine Lynn, 4161 Elzey avenue; jewelry and silverware valued at \$250; residence of Joseph Goldstein, 4161 Lafayette avenue, \$35 and clothing.

Two men, one carrying a new overcoat and a pair of trousers, were halted by detectives at Sixth and Market streets at 10 p. m. and admitted they had acquired the articles after throwing a brick through a \$300 window of the Globe Furnishing Co., Eighth street and Franklin avenue. The men were Patrick Murphy, 58, three-term ex-convict, and John Schneider, 23, both homeless.

Danish-American Knighted.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 12.—Soren Iverson, general foreman in a large industrial plant here, has received word that he had been knighted by the King of Denmark in the Order of Dannebrog under date of Nov. 7. The order has come to him through the Danish Minister, Constantine Brun, at Washington. Iverson, since 1919, has been supreme president of the Danish Brotherhood of America, a fraternal organization of Danish-Americans with a membership of about 35,000. He came to the United States in 1909.

WIRELESS PLEA TO  
WED IS ACCEPTED  
BY WOMAN AT SEA

Detroit Man Later Boards Ship  
and Is Married When Crossing  
English Channel.

By the Associated Press.

SOUTHAMPTON, England, Dec. 12.—A wireless proposal sent to a young American woman on a steamer in mid-Atlantic by an American at Cherbourg culminated in acceptance and the marriage of the couple. It was John L. Stewart of Detroit, who sent the message to Miss Catherine Forbes of Portland, Ore., who was on board the Leviathan.

Elvin Creger, 55 years old, of 729 North Seventh street, St. Charles, was killed at 6:50 a. m. to

MAN, STANDING IN TRUCK,  
FALLS OUT AND IS KILLED

St. Charles Workman, 55, Fatally  
Injured When Machine Turns  
at Street Corner.

By the Associated Press.

ELVIN CREGER, 55, of 729 North  
Seventh street, St. Charles, was killed  
when he fell from an automobile truck, landing on his head.

Creger was employed as a laborer on a street improvement project.

He was on his way to work, standing in the rear of an open truck, when it turned sharply at Kings-

highway and Washington street, St. Charles, and he lost his balance and fell out. His neck was fractured.

The truck was driven by R. M. Summers, a subcontractor.

Creger is survived by a wife and son.

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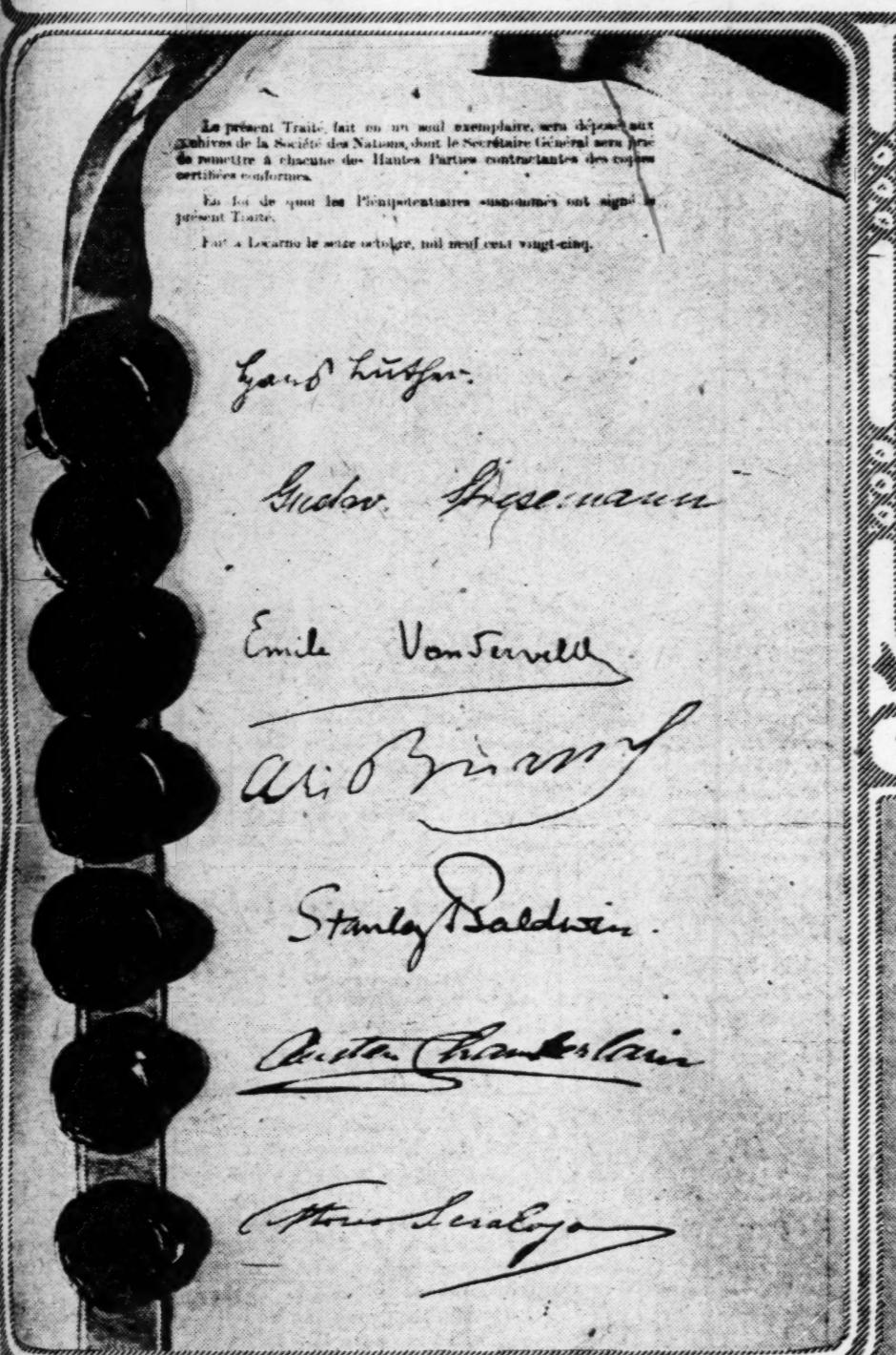
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## SIGNATURES TO THE LOCARNO PACT



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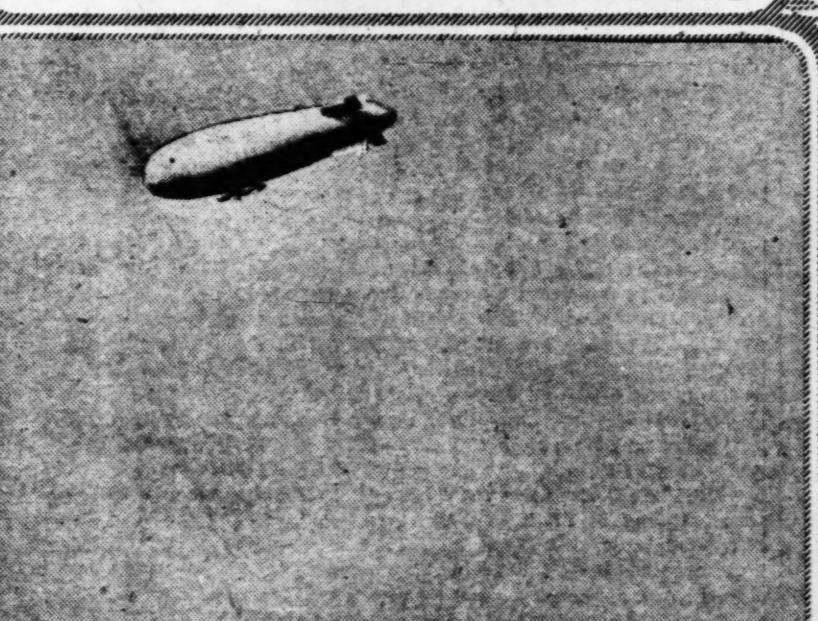
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## YOUNGEST CONGRESSMEN



They are, from left to right: A. L. Somer of New York, aged 29 years; Virgil Chapman of Kentucky, 30; S. J. Montgomery of Oklahoma, 29; K. C. Updike of Indiana, 30, and Clarence McLeod of Michigan, 30.

# THE OPENING OF CONGRESS



## **AMERICAN LEGION PATROLMAN**

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The Chief of Police of La Grange, Ill., resigned and all the policemen walked out in sympathy with him. Their places were taken by local ex-service men.

## **BOYS OF THE SENATE**



Vice President Dawes photographed with the pages of the upper house of Congress.

## **HELPING HERSELF**



The army dirigible  
TC-4, flying over  
the dome of the  
Capitol.

## **NEW FRENCH AMBASSADOR**



An Illinois co-  
who has learned  
to work the  
pump' when the  
water tub runs  
dry. —Underwood

Senator Victor Henri Beranger who has been named to succeed Emile Daeschner as France's representative in Washington.



Dwellers on the boom coast making light of the downpour which soaked Miami.

## Fiction: Fashions: Timely Discussions

### Darling of Destiny

by MILDRED BARBOUR

#### THE RAID.

CHAPTER XLVII

FOR a minute after Sue had turned over the mattress she experienced acute disappointment.

There were no papers on the road springs, no packet of any sort.

Some one, she thought despairingly, had been there before her.

In her disappointment, Sue sank down on the one rickety chair the room boasted and stared straight before her. It was then that she noticed the slit in the mattress.

Springing up, she reached the couch with one step and thrust her hand through the aperture of the ticking.

Her eager fingers encountered crackling paper and she drew forth a long, envelope, bulging with closely written sheets. A glance revealed to her that the contents of the envelope were letters and she stood for a moment with it in her hand, hesitant and undecided.

She obeyed the request of the dead woman.

"See that it is destroyed," Sue had not been requested not to examine the package. But had she better burn the envelope then and there. She was pondering when three authoritative raps sounded on the outer door of the flat.

She held her breath to listen because at the first rap, the murmur of voices in the kitchen had ceased abruptly and the light had been extinguished in the hall. The darkness was tense as if every one sat listening with bated breath.

The raps were repeated more sharply.

The slouching figure of a man loomed suddenly in the doorway of the little room, and with a single cat-like movement, an arm was reached out and Sue's lamp was extinguished.

"Why didn't you put it out?" came the hoarse whisper through the darkness, "keep your mouth shut."

"What is happening?" whispered Sue, her hair prickling on her scalp.

"None of your business. Just keep quiet or I'll make you. Get that?"

From the kitchen, Sue heard stealthy sounds, though possibly muted about on the floor, there was a sound of flowing liquid but rather guarded, as though a faucet were muffled with a cloth.

Then she heard the steps of the woman who had admitted her going down the hall, her slipped feet scuffing the floor. The door was unlatched. The woman demanded: "Who is disturbing a respectable family asleep at this hour of the night?"

An authoritative voice answered: "What's going on in here anyway? That's the guff about being in here. Open your quiet down when I knocked and I saw your lights go out. Now open the door, or I'll break it open."

Through the darkness, the man beside Sue hissed.

"The bulk." She could feel rather than hear that he slid away through the region of the kitchen where the sound of pouring liquids had increased in volume.

The woman at the door uttered a shrill sentence in a foreign tongue and she, too, fled down the hall.

The outer door opened with a crash and in the dim light admitted from the corridor, Sue saw several men dash through it.

The glint of buttons proclaimed the law.

A first instinct was to rush to them and seek protection from this place of mystery and terror, but something held her back, and while she shrank there in the darkness, she heard the men run down the hall and into the dark kitchen.

She could see the fitful glow of pocket flash-lights and she heard an oath and the words:

"This is the place all right. Look at that still. We've got them this time."

"Not this time," from another voice. "Looks like they have beat it. Quick, if that ain't a way to the fire escape. If that's the way they went, it won't do them much good with Reiley and O'Toole waiting at the bottom."

"Say, there's a front door to this flat. We are a bunch of fools to have left that door open."

Trembling in the darkness, Sue heard heavy footsteps starting down the hall in her direction. She knew now that she was caught in a bootlegger raid. Though she felt certain that she would have no difficulty in establishing her identity and gaining her freedom without embarrassing procedure, her present trouble had to be explained and the packet of letters would have to be given in proof.

She wanted these letters badly.

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#### THE ESCAPE.

CHAPTER XLVIII

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WINIFRED BLACK

night that the noise she made was terrible.

But no one came to investigate and she slipped out of the front door into the street without being molested.

At the corner, however, a dark form with a glint of braided buttons loomed suddenly in front of her.

She tried to walk with dignity and indifference, as if her presence, unaccompanied, on an East Side street after midnight, was not extraordinary. A gruff voice accosted her. "Hey, you."

With her heart in her throat she stopped.

The policeman came up to her, eyeing her suspiciously in the dim light.

"What are you doing down here at this time of night? Where'd you come from?"

Though her knees were trembling as she clutched the precious papers in the folds of her scarf, she gave him her sweetest, most guileless smile.

"I have been working in Mr. McDonald's studio," she motioned toward the building she had just quitted, "he is out of town and he allowed me to use his studio to-night."

The smile did more than the explanation, for the firmness of the officer relaxed and he said less firmly:

"Well, guess that's all right. You see, we raided a bootlegging joint down the street tonight and all the bums got away and we were told to be on the lookout. But I guess these latter were open, she crawled out on the stone projection."

For the second time that day, she found herself suspended between heaven and earth, four stories above the street. The thought terrified her, but she set her teeth and forced her hands and trembling knees to carry her in her precarious progress. Her skirts hampered her and once a slab of stone moved perilously under her weight and her heart almost stopped beating.

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### TOO MUCH FAD MAY BRING MONOMANIA

It's All Right to Have a Hobby, But Why Ride It to the Exclusion of Everything Else and to the Discomfort of Your Friends?

By WINIFRED BLACK

GEORGE and Julia have had a quarrel—a really serious quarrel.

All about whether George's grandfather was a monkey or not.

George says he wasn't and Julia says he was—but Julia says her own grandfather was a monkey, too, and that ought to make it all right, oughtn't it?

George doesn't think so, though.

He's bought a lot of books on various religions and he insists on reading them aloud to Julia after dinner and Julia has bought a lot of books on evolution and she wants to take turns and read them aloud.

And neither of them knows the least thing in the world about either religion or science.

Billy has gone just about crazy over the radio.

He has three sets now and it's as much as your life is worth to try to speak if you are over at Billy's spending the evening.

He doesn't want to talk and he doesn't want to hear anyone else talk—unless they talk over the radio.

He's always getting Omaha and Kansas City and St. Louis—he doesn't seem to care what Omaha is saying or who's singing in Kansas City, he just grins an ecstatic grin and "listens in" and you all have to listen in, too—or go home.

Marjorie has the moving picture complex.

He's neglecting his business, he's wearing himself out and he's losing his wife—all on account of golf.

Julia's wife doesn't object to golf, in fact she rather likes it or she did at first, but she doesn't want golf for breakfast, luncheon and dinner, and she just simply can't see why Jim can't be satisfied with it and play it for a game and not make such a craze of it.

Marjorie has the moving picture complex.

She can't talk about a thing but "the pictures."

She isn't interested in people unless they are as picture mad as she is. She knows all the actors and actresses in the movies—by name anyhow—and she can tell you where they live and who they marry or almost marry and what their favorite breakfast food is and why she considers them great "artists."

She doesn't care for music or for books or for riding or for swimming or for tennis or for golf—all she wants is the "pictures" and plenty of them.

How much more fun she'd have if she liked a few other things too. I used to think that "crazy people" were excitable, unbalanced beings, who couldn't keep their minds on any one subject more than a minute and a half.

A mind specialist tells me I'm wrong. He says it's thinking about one subject all the time that drives people crazy.

I wonder if George and Julia and Billy and Jim and Marjorie realize how dangerous it is to be so serious about one particular fad.

And if they did realize it—what would they do about it?

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### -o- Children's Bedtime Story -o-

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

Paddy Fools Buster Bear

Patience waits; it won't give in,  
And in the end is sure to win.

—Paddy the Beaver.



"Huh!" he growled and started along the edge

Presently there was little more than a trickle. Could it be that all the water above the dam had run out in so short a time? He straightened up and looked above the dam. There was a pond of good size there.

Buster shuffled over to the hole he had made. It was partly filled with sticks and brush and rubbish. Buster tore it out again, and again the water gushed through. But presently the same thing happened and the hole was filled in. Some one was filling it in as fast as he tore it out. That someone was Paddy the Beaver. Paddy, working partly under water on the upper side of the dam, kept filling in that hole. But he couldn't be seen by Buster Bear below the dam.

A third time Buster tore it open and a third time Paddy filled it in. Then Buster, instead of growing angry, began to laugh, for Buster naturally is good natured and has a sense of humor. He saw the joke on himself and it tickled him.

"All right, Paddy," he growled from below the dam. "All right, you win. You have more patience than I have. Besides, I don't really care if you have a pond here. Have it if you want it for all I care."

"Thank you, Buster Bear," said Paddy as he paddled a sod in place. "Some day you will like this pond to swim in. It is going to be a very nice pond."

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Deviled Oysters.

Drain a quart of oysters from their liquor and chop them coarsely. Make a cream sauce of a cupful of cream, a level tablespoonful of butter, pepper, salt, and a little flour dissolved in milk, and when thickened, put in the oysters. Add a teaspoonful each of onion juice, and Worcestershire sauce. A teaspoonful each of chopped celery leaves and parsley. Next add a half cupful of dry crumbs and a minced hard-boiled egg. Fill buttered ramekins with the mixture, dot the tops with little lumps of butter and bake a delicate brown.

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### A DAILY DOUBLEAGE FOR

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### Hats for Southern Rev or Early



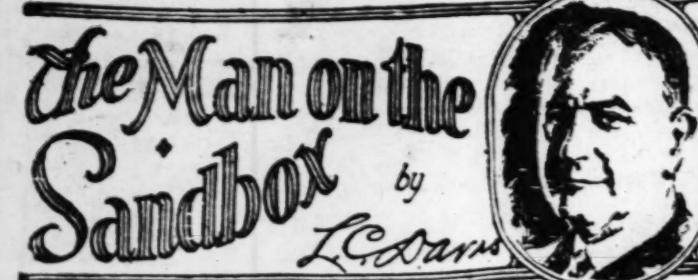
Always summery and light for the semitropics, is the large brimmed straw hat, such as the one on the left. The high dented crown is very evident from this view. The sole trimming is of three-tiered velvet in tan and golden browns.

The small hat next is designed for a boyish bob, or a shingled head, but this model varies both in color and contour. The softly rolling hat is topped by a six-section crown of beige felt. The gun barrel rolls just at the right are of the



# ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

# DAILY MAGAZINE



TOUGH LUCK!

**T**HERE is a movement in Italy to boycott Rudolph Valentino because of his intentions of becoming an American citizen. —News item.

**D**EES a Rudy de Sheik needs a man, But he no want to sell a banana; He wants forget All about spaghetti And be da beeg 'Merican!

**Rum Scandal Discovered at Ohio State U."**

**Y**OU may send your boy to college

To acquire certain knowledge, That a credit to his name, he may become.

In the meantime he is learning, While the midnight oil is burning, How to drink and manufacture gin and rum.

**IT PAYS.**

The moving picture house owner who advised his patrons that the current picture was no good may have been on the square with it. But, after reading an ad like that who wouldn't want to go and see if they agreed with the owner?

**I**f you have a bum attraction tell 'em so; It is only right to let the people know.

It will make them all so curious To see if it is spurious.

That out of curiosity they'll go.

**IT WILL.**

See where they are going to rehearse the Miracle in the Union Market garage. It will be a miracle if they don't bring home the bacon.

**JUDGE RUMMY**

—By TAD



MUTT AND JEFF—TRYING TO KID JEFF—By BUD FISHER

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**JACK DANIEL CASE TO BE CALLED FOR TRIAL TOMORROW**

Government Confident Court at Indianapolis Will Overrule Any Motion to Delay Opening.

**ESSEN WILL FACE CHARGES LATER**

County Boss Is Ill, but Prosecution Decides to Proceed at Once—39 Persons Indicted.

By PAUL Y. ANDERSON, Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 12.—The celebrated Jack Daniel whisky conspiracy case, arising from the unlawful withdrawal and sale of about 30,000 gallons of pre-prohibition whisky from the Jack Daniel warehouse in St. Louis in 1923, will be called by Federal Judge Robert McRill here Monday, and the indications are that the trial will proceed at once.

Thirty-nine persons are under indictment, 22 of whom reside in St. Louis, including a number of widely known political leaders. Most of the 39 are under bond to appear and give testimony. None among the absences will be excused except former Congressman and present Republican boss of St. Louis County, who had not recovered from a throat operation which is found necessary to undergo on the eve of the trial.

Assistant Attorney-General John E. Marshall, who is in command of the prosecution, said yesterday that he had sent two physicians to Essen's home and that they had reported him unable to appear. Unwilling to postpone the trial, he had decided to proceed with the man, and probably will try Essen with other defendants who may be apprehended later.

**Remus Principal Witness.**  
The indictments, as has been said, followed the appearance before the Federal Grand Jury here of George Remus, millionaire Cincinnati bootlegger in October. Remus, who had recently completed a 10-year sentence at the Atlanta penitentiary, became a Government witness under the pressure of other federal investigators, promising him and only he was arrested, after his associates in the Jack Daniel deal had swindled him out of a large share of the proceeds and were plotting to send him back to the penitentiary.

Mrs. Imogene Remus, his estranged wife, is one of the defendants. Although Remus will be one of the Government's principal witnesses, he is prohibited by law from testifying against his wife.

In the Jack Daniel deal, \$34 barrels of what has been described as the best pre-prohibition liquor in the country, was purchased from Sam Motlow, wealthy Tennessee distiller, by a syndicate headed by Remus. In 1923, 332 barrels were confiscated "smashed" of their heads and the whisky bootlegged in St. Louis and elsewhere throughout the country for a total profit from the sale of about \$1,500,000. The Government alleges that the operation was accomplished as the result of a vast conspiracy, involving Federal officials and a number of influential St. Louis politicians, who were induced to lend their assistance by the huge profits entailed.

**Kinney Was Gauger.**  
A short time before the "milkings" of the warehouses, Arnold J. Heimlich, United States Internal Revenue Collector, died. William J. Kinney, a deputy, and brother of State Senator Michael Kinney, to act as gauger at the warehouse. During Kinney's assignment there, the whisky is alleged to have disappeared. Soon afterward, Kinney was relieved, and the discovery that the warehouse contained 833 barrels of whisky and one barrel of whisky was made by his successor.

The sale of the whisky by Motlow to the purchasers was a legal transaction on its face. It was unusual only if it was part of a conspiracy to withdraw the whisky illegally. The Government claims that it was part of such a conspiracy, and Motlow and two other business men who were part owners were indicted. A few days ago United States Commissioner at Louisville made a ruling holding the probable cause for their detention had not been shown. At present it appears that they will not be tried.

The list of St. Louisians indicted, besides Essen, includes: Arnold J. Heimlich, then Collector.

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BRINGING UP FATHER—By GEORGE McMANUS



SOUP AND FISH—THE SATURDAY NIGHT SHEIKS—By RUBE GOLDBERG



SUCH IS LIFE—By MAURICE KETTEN

THE TOONERVILLE TROLLEY—By FONTAINE FOX

WHAT WITH ONE THING AND ANOTHER THE RUNNING SCHEDULE IS PRETTY WELL SHOT TO PIECES JUST BEFORE CHRISTMAS

"I WON'T BE GONE A MINN! MR. SMITH IS GOIN' IN HIS FRONT WAY AND KEEP HIS KID BUSY WHILE I SNEAK IN THE BACK WAY WITH THIS HERE TOY"

